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## WILD REPORTS SAY THAT HOLLAND MAY JOIN IN STRUGGLE

Which Are Incensed Over Restrictions Placed Upon Their Shipping

## ARTILLERY DUEL ON AT LONG RANGE IN FRANCE

Admiralty Refutes Statements of Germans Relative To Falaba Disaster

By Ed L. Keen.

London, April 8.—Wild reports that Germany and Holland are quietly sending troops on the Dutch-Belgian frontier, coupled with incredible rumors that Germany is about to invade Holland, have caused the British Admiralty to issue a statement refuting the reports. The statement says that the British Admiralty has received no information of any such plans. It also states that the German blockade of the English coast is not such as to warrant belief in an open outbreak is imminent. It was pointed out that Holland is not a neutral country and that the British blockade of Germany is not such as to warrant belief in an open outbreak is imminent.

## German Statements Denied.

London, April 8.—A statement from the Admiralty flatly refuted the charges made by the German Embassy in Washington, concerning the sinking of the liner Falaba, resulting in loss of more than 100 lives.

The Admiralty denied that the Falaba was sunk by a submarine, and also refused to accept the charge of the German Embassy that England was responsible for the loss of life, owing to orders that merchant ships should be sunk without warning.

The statement also stated that the German blockade of the English coast is not such as to warrant belief in an open outbreak is imminent.

The German commander must have known that loss of life was inevitable when he fired the torpedoes at the ship from short range.

## Artillery Is Active.

Paris, April 8.—Artillery is shelling St. Mihiel at long range while the battle in which the French forces are attacking the German wedge in France still rages.

Paris was filled with rumors today that the most important developments in the official statement from the war office, however, gave few details of the progress of the fighting. The statement reported that, as to the operations in the St. Mihiel region, the French forces were making progress.

"We have maintained all our positions," the statement said, "and have made some further progress."

Further progress is now being made from Rheims to the coast, it was added.

## Trawler Blown Up.

London, Eng., April 8.—A steam trawler was blown up by a submarine off the coast of Scotland today.

The trawler's crew, consisting of five men, were believed to have been killed.

The fishing boats were seen to explode immediately after the explosion, leaving them to be attacked by the submarine.

## English Honor Belgian King.

London, April 8.—All Britain today celebrated the fortieth birthday of King Albert of Belgium. In London, the celebration was marked by a series of gun salutes.

The Church of England observed the day with impressive services. Prayers were held at many big churches, and the evening, Messing's service, was held in every church in the world. The exiled Belgian king in London took part in all proceedings.

## RANCHER KILLS ENEMY.

Salinas, Cal., April 8.—Frank Oberth, a ranchman of this section, shot and killed a rattlesnake today.

The snake was about six feet long and was coiled around a fence.

Oberth shot the snake with a .38 Smith & Wesson revolver.

There has been bitter feeling between Oberth and a neighbor for some time.

While Oberth was out today, the neighbor shot and killed a cow.

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## HOTEL DE GINK PASSES

New York, April 8.—The "Hotel de Gink" has closed its last guest. It was closed today. Jeff Davis, manager and the man who inaugurated the plan for a hotel for derelicts, said the "charity trust" had put him out of business, but that he would re-open a similar place some where else this winter.

The guests of the "De Gink" were taken from the hotel here to the "Hotel de Gump" farm at Bensonhurst where they will spend the summer. The trip to the "De Gump" (meaning chicken) farm was made by automobile.

## DRYS HOPE TO RULE

DEMOCRATIC PARTY IN NEXT ELECTION

May Force Wilson To Take Definite Stand on Prohibition Question

By John Edwin Nevins.

Washington, April 8.—The "drys" expect to capture control of the democratic national committee before the next convention.

The declaration of Secretary of State Bryan that the members of the national committee should be anti-liquor is accepted in political circles as the opening gun of a battle between the wets and the drys for control of the national democracy.

The prohibition advocates today claimed that President Wilson will be compelled to take a positive stand as soon as congress reconvenes if he is not "smoked out" sooner. The president has thus far refused to discuss the liquor question in any way.

At the White House today, it was said there was no comment to be made on the letter of Secretary Bryan to L. W. Kennington, of the Iowa state democratic committee, the secretary declared in this letter that whoever succeeds Judge Martin J. Wade, as national committeeman from Iowa should be an anti-liquor advocate. Bryan also pointed out the conditions in Iowa in the legislature having voted statutory amendment to the people, which make the liquor question a real issue in the state which should be met squarely.

It was stated in official circles today that there was no reason to believe that President Wilson had changed his views as to the liquor question since he was governor of New Jersey. He then regarded it as a moral problem to be decided by each individual community. He declined to admit at that time that it was a political problem to be dealt with by a political party.

It is the plan of the "drys" to force the president to immediately take concrete position. Secretary Bryan and Secretary Daniels are avowed prohibitionists, though both insist the liquor question will not be an issue in the next campaign. The "dry" forces plan, however, to name avowed anti-liquor men as candidates for the committee primaries and conventions. They are confident of success in most of the southern states. The big fight will come in the central states, especially in Illinois and Indiana.

Secretary Bryan favors an open and shut fight on the "wet" and "dry" question when necessary. He declared that wherever the liquor question is an issue he believed the national committee should represent the majority. And the majority, the secretary believes, is generally "dry."

## STEEL STOCK GOES UP.

New York, April 8.—Bethlehem Steel caused a distinct flurry in the stock market today when common stock skyrocketed to a new high record of 162. This represented an advance of 10 points from the previous day's closing.

The stock advanced 6 points to 112. Bethlehem common was selling at 30 in December.

## Says Women Have Two Hidden Natures

Boulder, Colo., April 8.—Women are divided into two classes by Dr. Lawrence Cole, head of the psychology department of the University of Colorado.

"Women fresh from nature's moulding is either a predestined wife or a mother," he says. "She is not both. Every woman knows to which type she herself belongs, although she will not admit it."

"The mother type knows nothing of the worship between husband and wife. Love of that kind is foreign. She may imagine she is in love but most often she mistakes gratitude for love. Well for the husband of this wife if he allows himself gradually to occupy the position of eldest and most important of his children. In return for this submission he will be the care and devotion bestowed upon his upbringing day by day. He will be foolish if he says or utters insinuation of his heart, 'motherhood is good, but wifehood is what I wanted.' Even if her marriage is childless such a woman is useful."

"For the wife-woman, the nursery is at best but an interlude and a real interruption of the wife's strongest interests. These women are not skilled in early teaching troubles. They know little of the rival merits of different kinds of flannels. Wisdom and foresight are never the attributes of the wife-woman. Since the ultimate destiny of this female can not be motherhood it may be bridge whist or politics."

## PORTLAND-SALT LAKE OFF.

Salt Lake City, Utah, April 8.—Portland-Salt Lake game postponed on account of wet ground.

## Oil Is Discovered Near Dufur Oregon

Portland, Or., April 8.—That oil has been discovered in Oregon was the declaration today of Dr. Wilbur Hastings.

Dr. Hastings, now a resident of Portland, but who has had experience in the oil fields of Ohio and Ontario, stated that a prospective field now being drilled nine miles west of Dufur, in Wasco county, shows every indication of containing a large volume of oil.

A well has been bored to the depth of about 2,000 feet, Dr. Hastings said, and small quantities of oil can be brought to the surface by the use of hand pumps. This indicates, according to Dr. Hastings, that a pool or lake would be found when the crust over the oil is penetrated by the drill.

Dr. Hastings believes that gusher will be encountered but states that it is entirely problematical as to the extent of the flow.

## Eight Ships Wrecked Off Carolina Coast

Washington, April 8.—Eight vessels were wrecked off the coast of North Carolina. The coast guard service today ordered every available revenue cutter from ports south of Boston to Diamond Shoals to proceed at full speed to the aid of the ships.

Whether there has been any loss of life as a result of the severe storm which wrecked the vessels is not certain. It is regarded as most likely, however, that the crews of some of the ships must have perished. The disasters reported represent the worst accidents off Diamond Shoals in years. The cutter Seminole is now on the scene, it was stated here.

The wrecked vessels are: Schooner Alice Murphy, of Maine, ashore; Schooner Lizzie B. Wiley, of Maine, on sand; and schooner Lizzie B. Wiley, of Maine, on sand; and schooner Lizzie B. Wiley, of Maine, on sand.

Colonel Dunphy Dead.

Walla Walla, Wash., April 7.—Colonel W. H. Dunphy, one of the leading lawyers and democrats in the state, died here today after an illness of several weeks.

## VILLA LOSES 2000

MEN IN HOT FIGHT AND BEGINS RETREAT

Carranza Will Not Agree To Making Mexico City Neutral Territory

Washington, April 8.—In a desperate battle near Celaya, the army of General Obregon defeated the forces of General Villa, according to claims made by the Carranzista agency here today. The Villista losses are declared to exceed 2,000 in killed and wounded. General Obregon is pursuing the retreating forces, it is claimed.

## Will Take Matamoros.

Brownsville, Texas, April 8.—Despite severe reverses, General Francisco Villa is rushing troops toward Matamoros. He has ordered General Rodriguez to take the city at any cost. Three Villista troop trains, crowded with soldiers and carrying eight field guns on flat cars, have reached Rio Brava, where the railway tracks have been ripped up by the enemy. Desperate efforts are being made today to repair the tracks in the face of a constant fire from the Carranzistas. It is Rodriguez's purpose to reach Matamoros Saturday, according to authentic information. He boasts that he can capture the town by Sunday. The Carranzistas near the city are working frantically to assemble an aeroplane to drop bombs on the advancing Villista columns. Americans are gathering at the border to see something of the fighting, if possible and excursions to the battlefield may be organized.

## Peace Plans Fail.

Washington, April 8.—Attempts of the United States to have Mexico City declared a neutral zone have failed. Secretary of State Bryan today admitted the plan to prevent further fighting about the Mexican capital had been blocked by the refusal of General Carranza to comply with the suggestion of the administration.

Both General Francisco Villa and General Zapata, the southern bandit leader, agreed to respect Mexico City as neutral territory, providing Carranza would also enter into the agreement. Carranza declared, however, that he expected to drive out Zapata and again assume control of the capital. Villa declared the administration's plan had met with "insurmountable obstacles," but refused to discuss details of the negotiations.

It was admitted at the state department today that immigration laws were being looked up to determine whether General Victoriano Huerta might be prevented from landing in the United States. Secretary Bryan refused to answer when asked if the government might stop Huerta as an undesirable alien, but it was learned from other sources that this possibility was being investigated. Huerta is due to arrive in New York Friday from Spain.

## Extortion Resorted To By Mexican Officials

Oakland, Cal., April 8.—Telling a story of the extortion practices upon him by Mexican officials when he arrived with repatriation papers for Claude Young, wanted in connection with the disposal of \$10,000 worth of jewels of Mrs. Jane Riley and Mrs. Mildred Fulton, Captain of Detectives Lew Agnew arrived from Mexico today with the prisoner.

Mrs. Riley and Mrs. Fulton, sisters, were found dead in their home here ten days ago. Mrs. Riley had been dead a week and her sister had died more recently, the latter having succumbed to inhaling gas. Their jewelry was missing and it was later believed to have been sold by Young. Agnew was sent to Mexico to secure the prisoner.

The detective says he was charged \$10 by an orderly to be allowed to see the governor and that the governor charged him \$10 in return. He declared he was "billed" by the Mexican officials at every turn.

The prisoner had been paying at the rate of \$12 a month to stay in Mexico, and the country was loath to part with him.

Money solved the problem, Agnew says he virtually had to buy Young from the governor.

## Sheriff Locates Robbers' Cache With \$7,000 In It

Baker, Or., April 8.—Gold bullion valued at \$7,000 secured by two masked bandits who held up the business stage in Rye Valley last Monday, was found in a cache a half mile from the scene of the robbery today.

This information was telephoned to Baker by Sheriff Anderson, who, at the head of a posse has been seeking the robbers since the time of the hold-up.

Sheriff Anderson intimated that 3 residents of Rye Valley—two men and a woman—were connected with the robbery.

Sheriff Anderson will receive \$1,000 reward for recovering the bullion.

## FOUR HOMES BURNED.

Los Angeles, Cal., April 8.—The destruction by fire of four homes on the south side early today, following a small explosion, led the police to believe that dynamite or a bomb may have been exploded in the basement of one of the houses.

Scenes of residents in the neighborhood, frightened by the explosion, rushed to the street in their night clothes. A dozen of the houses were threatened with destruction before the fire was controlled.

## GOVERNOR PROCLAIMS

RULES TO REGULATE LIVESTOCK SHIPMENT

New Regulations Adopted by Sanitary Board Go Into Effect Next Saturday

In conformity with the act of the legislature of 1913, for the eradication and suppression of contagious, infectious and communicable diseases of animals, and the information and recommendation of the state livestock sanitary board, Governor Withcomb this morning issued a proclamation against the shipment of livestock into the state of Oregon from any state or district in the United States, Canada or British Columbia wherein an epidemic of foot-and-mouth disease exists or where quarantine regulations are in force, which becomes effective Saturday, April 10.

The proclamation includes horses, cattle, sheep, swine, mules, goats, poultry and also cats, dogs, birds and other household pets and wild animals kept for exhibition purposes where they come from infected territory, unless all such animals are properly disinfected by the federal authorities and bear a certificate of health and freedom of disease contamination. It also regulates the shipment of anti-dog cholera serum and hog cholera virus, hoof and hides of animals, hay, straw or similar products into the state of Oregon from infected districts. The proclamation embraces a complete set of regulations which will govern the shipment of all livestock, poultry, etc., into the state for slaughter, breeding or other purposes.

## CONDEMNED MEN MAKE ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE

Three Murderers Escape From Cell and Try to Saw Bars To Freedom

Sacramento, Cal., April 8.—Had Frank Creeks and Earl Loomis, condemned murderers, and Zolzie Clements, life term, escaped from Folsom prison in their attempted break. Warden Smith said today, they would have been shot to death by the heavily armed guards surrounding the prison every night.

Warden Smith says the desperadoes must have known that such a fate would have awaited them and he cannot account for their attempted break.

Creeks and Loomis are today kept in death row and Clements is in his solitary cell. Nothing else remains to be done with them.

Each man blames the other for the affair. "I was the most surprised man in the world when my cell door was opened," each prisoner says.

When discovered they were trying to saw the bars. They had escaped from their cells and over the top of the dungeons, using a piece of rope with which Jake Oppenheimer, the human tiger, was hanged, to gain their point of vantage.

Loomis is to be hanged for the murder of Mrs. Marie Holcroft in Sacramento and Creeks is under death sentence for killing a prison guard. Clements is serving life for murder in San Joaquin county.

## Board of Inquiry Holds S. P. Employees Blameless

That the Southern Pacific employees took every possible precaution and were in no way to blame for the collision Tuesday morning in which W. B. Morgan lost his life, is the gist of the report of the board of inquiry which investigated the case. Besides the Southern Pacific officials and residents of this city present, Edward Ostrander represented the state railroad commission at the inquiry.

The report states that the train was running at a rate of 39 miles per hour but that an unobstructed view of the track could be obtained for 1000 feet on both sides of the crossing. It was stated that the engineer blew his whistle and that the bell was ringing at the time.

"We further find," says the report, "that the injured party neglected to exercise that care and diligence reasonable to expect of a man prudent and interested in his welfare and safety, and therefore it is the opinion of this board that the Southern Pacific company and its employees took every precaution possible under the circumstances to avoid this accident, and are blameless."

## Discouraged Man Turned On Gas—Dead

San Francisco, Cal., April 8.—Harvey Clayton Merrill, 35 years old, was found dead today in a room in the New Commercial hotel. He had left his own room and entering that of John Bonnett with a pass key, turned on the gas and went to bed. His body was found when Bonnett returned later. Merrill left a note saying:

"There is no hope for me in this world. I have been a confirmed derelict for ten years. God bless my mother and give her peace. I hope to be with her in the next world."

## DECREES AGAINST TEDDY.

Los Angeles, Cal., April 8.—After Teddy Tetzlaff, famous automobile racer, had told Superior Judge Taft that not even for the sake of their 11-year-old son would he live with his wife, the judge granted Mrs. Tetzlaff an interlocutory decree of divorce today. He also awarded her \$15 a week alimony and custody of her son.

## Calvary Skirmish Reported.

Cairo, Egypt, April 8.—An engagement between a small body of Turkish cavalry and British troops near El Kantara, was officially reported here today. The Turks came upon the British force while reconnoitering, it was stated, no losses were suffered by the English.

The absent may be at fault, but those present always have been excused.

## FRENCH DEAD PILED HIGH IN WOODS IN ST. MIHIEL REGION

Fierce Attacks Made In Face of Deadly Fire From German Artillery

HEAVY LOSSES DENIED BY GOVERNMENT ORDER

Austrian Aviator Sends Three Russian Airmen Hurling To Death

Berlin, via wireless to London, April 8.—Renewing their fierce assaults upon the German lines between the Meuse and Moselle rivers, the French are filling the woods of this region with their dead.

In reporting the operations on the western front, the war office today again gave the greatest attention to the terrific attack which has been launched by the French and which, it is declared, is attended by "enormous losses."

These assaults continue today "without the slightest success," the official statement asserts. At seven different points between St. Mihiel, Etain and Pont-a-Mousson, the French are pouring forward in the face of death-dealing artillery fire. Lives are spent recklessly, the war office declared, in the savage attempts to smash the German fortifications north of St. Mihiel. These fortifications, it is declared, were prepared months ago and can never be conquered except by first being reduced by heavy artillery.

Despite the loss of two battalions on the Combray heights yesterday, the enemy renewed the attack today, sacrificing more men in headlong rushes up the barren hillsides raked by the German guns.

In the Ailly forest and LePetro woods, the most desperate engagements are in progress. These wooded regions are declared to be choked with French dead. A French aviator who was forced to descend inside the German lines declared that the heavy losses suffered by the army were being concealed by the government. The heavy losses suffered in two Champagne regions several weeks ago were kept secret, the aviator declared, and the people were led to believe that the attack, similar to the one now being made between the Meuse and Moselle, really resulted in victory.

A full report on the eastern front owing to bad weather. Roads are soggy from thaws, making operations difficult.

Durazzo capital of the independent state of Albania, is being besieged, according to dispatches received here today. Six thousand Albanian insurgents are attacking the city. They are supported by several field pieces and the city is being shelled, the dispatches assert.

Considerable damage is already reported to have been done in the city. The house of Essad Pasha, minister of war and interior, is reported to have been shattered.

## Three Aviators Fall.

Berlin, via wireless to Sayville, L. I., April 8.—The story of a thrilling air battle in which three Russian aviators were dashed to pieces is told today in dispatches from Budapest.

The Russians were attacked by a lone Austrian aviator while reconnoitering at a height of about 2000 feet. Maneuvering quickly, the Austrian managed to get above the three aeroplanes of the enemy and began dropping bombs upon them. One of the bombs struck a Russian aeroplane and exploded. The collapsed aircraft plunged toward the earth, falling between the two remaining aeroplanes, which were captured by the sudden rush of air, and also fell.

## Russian Advance Halted.

Petrograd, April 8.—German reinforcements have temporarily halted the Russian forward movement near the Lufkow pass. It was semi-officially admitted today. The Russians south of Smolnik continue to press their successful movement in the direction of Ussak, however, and forces are being redistributed to meet the reinforced enemy near Vidrony. Heavy artillery engagements are now in progress as the Russians delay the renewal of their attack, while the forces ordered to their aid are being brought up.

## Noncombatants Killed.

Paris, April 8.—Twelve women and children were killed and many wounded when Austrian aviators dropped bombs upon the Montenegrin town of Podgoritz, according to Cetinje dispatches received here today.

## Jews Driven Out.

Berlin, via wireless to Sayville, April 8.—Eighty thousand Jews have been driven homeless, from Warsaw by the Russians, according to information given out here today.

### The Weather

THAT'S MY DISH

Oregon: Fair to night and Friday; light frost west, heavy frost east; portion tonight; winds mostly northerly.